

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
ASHEVILLE DIVISION
1:19-cv-00333-FDW**

PAUL VALDEZ-BEY,

Plaintiff,

vs.

FNU CASTALONE, et al.,

Defendants.

ORDER


THIS MATTER is before the Court on Plaintiff's letter [Doc. 5], which the Court construes as a motion to appoint counsel.

In support of the motion to appoint counsel, Plaintiff states that "this case will be over with quick because video shows everything I need in my civil action..." [Doc. 5]. A plaintiff must present "exceptional circumstances" in order to require the Court to seek the assistance of a private attorney for a plaintiff who is unable to afford counsel. Miller v. Simmons, 814 F.2d 962, 966 (4th Cir. 1987). The Plaintiff here has not presented exceptional circumstances that justify appointment of counsel. Therefore, Plaintiff's motion to appoint counsel will be denied.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

Plaintiff's motion to appoint counsel [Doc. 5] is **DENIED**.

Signed: January 3, 2020


Frank D. Whitney
Chief United States District Judge

